

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 20 and continuing to page 8, line 33 with the following rewritten paragraph:

In FIG. 3, first portion 64 has a generally elliptical shape, when viewed from above as illustrated. It should be appreciated that other shapes are contemplated, including circular with or without finger indents to accommodate different players or different games. First portion 64 includes opposing first and second ends 66 and 68, respectively. The first end defines a first aperture 70 that accommodates the pushbutton switch. The second end defines a second aperture (not shown) that accommodates the cylindrical cord. It should be appreciated that first end has a larger diameter than second end as illustrated, but other embodiments are contemplated as discusses-discussed herein. First portion 64 can be made of any suitable moldable material which is relatively rigid, such as urethane, polycarbonate, polyvinyl chloride, polyvinyl acetate, acrylic and combination thereof, as well as other suitable relatively rigid plastics.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 9 and continuing to page 9, line 19 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Referring now to FIG. 5, one embodiment for extendable switch 20 is illustrated. Switch 20 of FIG. 5 includes the electrical portion 50, including the button 54. Switch 20 also includes the co-molded switch 52. Co-molded switch 52 is made up of upper rigid housing 64a and lower rigid housing 64b. Tether or switch 52 also includes elastomeric portion 65. Rigid housings 64a and 64b are made of any of the rigid plastics described above. The housings are snap-fitted together, welded together, glued together or otherwise mechanically or chemically fitted together. Separate housings 64a and 64b enable the electrical portion 50, including button 54, to be secured inside the housings before fitting the housings together.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 11, line 6 and continuing to page 11, line 19 with the following rewritten paragraph:

In one embodiment, the co-molded switch 52 of the present is formed in a two-step process. In FIG. 4, the pushbutton 54 and cord 56 are placed in a mold and the rigid material is applied proximate to the first end of the cord (i.e., the pushbutton). The soft material is then applied to the cord 56 and ~~possibly~~ possibly to a portion of the rigid material in FIG. 4, proximate to the first material (i.e., the differing materials are provided sequentially). However, it is contemplated that the soft material is injected first and then the rigid material is injected subsequent thereto so that a portion of the rigid material covers a portion of the soft material (i.e., the differing materials are again provided sequentially). In another embodiment, the two separate and differing materials are injected into the mold simultaneously. The tether is allowed to cure, forming the co-molded switch of the present invention.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 16, line 10 and continuing to page 16, line 16 with the following rewritten paragraph:

A larger ratchet 148 is also connected rotatably to axle 140 and rotates with inner and outer rotating members 114 and 116. Ratchet 148 defines a number of gears or teeth 150 that operate in pairs to define a plurality of notches 152. Ratchet 148 also includes at least one, and in one embodiment a plurality of, smooth or dead area(s) ~~154 155~~. Dead areas ~~154 155~~ discussed above provide non-locking areas on ratchet 148.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 17, line 10 and continuing to page 17, line 17 with the following rewritten paragraph:

The multiple dead areas indicated by smooth portions-154 155 of ratchet 148 create a noticeable tactile feel by the player, so that the player can tell intuitively that those areas are locking and/or unlocking. The player does not have to pull cord 56 from an intermediate locked position all the way to be fully extended to commence recoiling of the cord. The player instead only has to pull cord 56 to the next dead area, wherein pawl 128 does not engage ratchet 148, so that the force of spring 132 applied to cord 56 can begin the recoiling of same.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 18, line 3 and continuing to page 18, line 15 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Referring now to FIG. 14, one embodiment of the apparatus for forming the co-molded switch is generally illustrated. The apparatus-90 190 of the present invention includes, in one embodiment: (i) a spray nozzle, a spray gun, or spray head or injection device (generally referred herein to as an injector-92 192); (ii) a mold-94 194; (iii) a first material delivery system or supply-96a 196a; (iv) a second material or delivery system or supply-96b 196b; and (iv) a processor-98 198 that operates and controls the injector and the supply in concert. The apparatus, including the injector, the mold and the supply are controlled by the processor, to simultaneously form or co-mold the tether used with a gaming device. It should be appreciated that while two supplies are illustrated, one supply containing both materials and generally designated-96 196 is contemplated.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 18, line 16 and continuing to page 18, line 23 with the following rewritten paragraph:

The injector of the present invention simultaneously, or substantially simultaneously, distributes the material in a controlled manner to avoid waste. The injector includes a conventional injector housing in one embodiment and a conventional distributor or injector nozzle contained in the housing which is connected to the supply and processor. One or more tubes or other conduits are connected to the injector and the supply, enabling the apparatus ~~90_190~~ to apply the materials in single or plural applications.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 18, line 24 and continuing to page 18, line 33 with the following rewritten paragraph:

The injector communicates with the processor, responding to on/off or proportional command signals, which control the timing and extent of operation. In a preferred embodiment, the injector has a predetermined application or injection rate, wherein the injector provides one material as supplied and then the other material. However, it should be appreciated that the injector includes two or more distributors or nozzles, enabling the injector to apply the differing materials simultaneously. The injector ~~92_192~~ communicates with the processor ~~98_198~~, providing status signals including, for example, signals representing the quality and/or quantity of the material injected.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 19, line 13 and continuing to page 19, line 21 with the following rewritten paragraph:

The material is stored in one embodiment and used in apparatus-90190 at a predetermined temperature and pressure appropriate for the differing materials, and fed under pressure to the injector. The supply responds to commands from the processor, providing operating status to the processor for safe and efficient operation. In one embodiment, the supply includes a conventional displacement pump and conventional pressure regulator. The pump operates at a relatively high pressure, and at some point in transport to the injector, the tubing and material are regulated to a lower pressure.